



Notice of meeting of

Executive Member For Neighbourhood Services and Advisory Panel

To: Councillors Bowgett (Chair), Ayre (Vice-Chair), Crisp, Holvey, King, Reid (Executive Member), Taylor and Watt

Date: Thursday, 5 June 2008

Time: 5.00 pm

Venue: The Guildhall

AGENDA

Notice to Members - Calling In:

Members are reminded that, should they wish to call in any item on this agenda, notice must be given to Democracy Support Group by:

10:00 am on Wednesday 4 June 2008, if an item is called in *before* a decision is taken, *or*

4:00 pm on Monday 9 June 2008, if an item is called in *after* a decision has been taken.

Items called in will be considered by the Scrutiny Management Committee.

1. **Declarations of Interest**

At this point Members are asked to declare any personal or prejudicial interests they may have in the business on this agenda.

2. Exclusion of Press and Public

To consider excluding the press and public from the meeting during consideration of annexes 2 & 3 of agenda item 7 (2007-08 Final Monitoring Report - Finance and Performance) on the grounds that they contain information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information). This information is classed as exempt under Paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A to Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to information) (Variation) Order 2006.

3. Minutes (Pages 3 - 14)

To approve and sign the minutes of the meetings held on 19 March and 11 April 2008.

4. Public Participation

At this point in the meeting members of the public who have registered their wish to speak regarding an item on the agenda or an issue within the Panel's remit can do so. Anyone who wishes to register or requires further information is requested to contact the Democracy Officer on the contact details listed at the foot of this agenda. The deadline for registering is Wednesday 4 June 2008 at 5pm.

5. Award of DEFRA Grant Funding for the Investigation of Potentially Contaminated Land (Pages 15 - 20)

This report updates the Executive Member and Advisory Panel on the successful outcome of a recent Contaminated Land Capital Grant Programme (CLCGP) application made to the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA).

6. Developments in Proceeds of Crime Legislation (Pages 21 - 26)

This report inform Members of developments in the law aimed at the recovery of criminal assets and the disruption of crime.

7. 2007-08 Final Monitoring Report - Finance and Performance
(Pages 27 - 66)

This report presents draft outturn figures for revenue and capital expenditure for the Neighbourhood Services portfolio and sets out progress against the directorate plan priorities, including annual performance against target for the directorate's key performance indicators.

8. Neighbourhoods & Community Safety Group Legal Actions
(Pages 67 - 72)

This report informs Members of the results of legal actions (prosecutions, cautions and fixed penalties) undertaken by the Neighbourhoods and Community Safety area of the Directorate of Neighbourhood Services (Environmental Health, Trading Standards, and Licensing) for the period 1st January – 31st March 2008.

9. Plastic Bag Free City of York - Response to Petition From the Residents of Various Locations Across the City, Presented at Council on 10th April 2008 (Pages 73 - 76)

This report has been prepared in response to a petition presented to Council by Councillor Potter supporting a plastic bag free City of York and calling upon the Council to do all in its power to achieve this aim.

10. Retail Enforcement Pilot Scheme (Pages 77 - 82)

This report explains how the Council's environmental health, trading standards and licensing services teams are implementing a Retail Enforcement Scheme to achieve compliance with the Regulator's Compliance Code (RCC) which came into effect on 6 April 2008. The code plays a key role in the government's better regulation agenda.

11. Refresh of Neighbourhood Services Directorate Plan (Pages 83 - 110)

This report asks Members to agree to a lightly refreshed version of the Neighbourhood Service directorate plan and presents a small amount of updated information for a number of the service plans agreed by the Executive Member in January.

12. Update on Cold Calling Controlled Zones (Pages 111 - 118)

Further to consideration of a report on the introduction of cold calling controlled zones in the city presented at the meeting on 6 December 2007, this report provides a 6 month review of the scheme.

13. City of York Council Public Toilets Review - Update (Pages 119 - 126)

This report informs the Executive Member as to the progress to date on the complete review of public toilet provision for York.

14. City Walls Repairs and Maintenance (Pages 127 - 136)

This report updates Members on the decision taken by the Executive on the 11 March to agree a partnership arrangement between City Strategy and Neighbourhood Services for the future repair and maintenance of the City Walls.

15. Use of York Pride Funding to Improve Environmental Maintenance (Pages 137 - 142)

This report proposes a change to the current arrangements of utilising the York Pride budget to address the recommendation from the EnCams review to improve street washing to remove staining in heavy usage areas such as outside of shop fronts, at bus stops and areas close to litter bins, whilst also requesting £10k from this budget to support an initiative to tackle graffiti throughout the city working with partners.

16. Forward Plan

To review the forward plan for the Executive Member for Neighbourhood Services and Advisory Panel for the 2008/09 municipal year.

17. Any other business which the Chair considers urgent under the Local Government Act 1972

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For more information about any of the following please contact the Democracy Officer responsible for servicing this meeting:

- Registering to speak
- Business of the meeting
- Any special arrangements
- Copies of reports

Contact details are set out above.